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(54) **Portable support for fishing rods**

(57) A fishing rod rest, which supports most standard rods by the handle end releasing the fisherman's hands but still allows for a fast retrieval without snagging, folds flat for easy transportation.

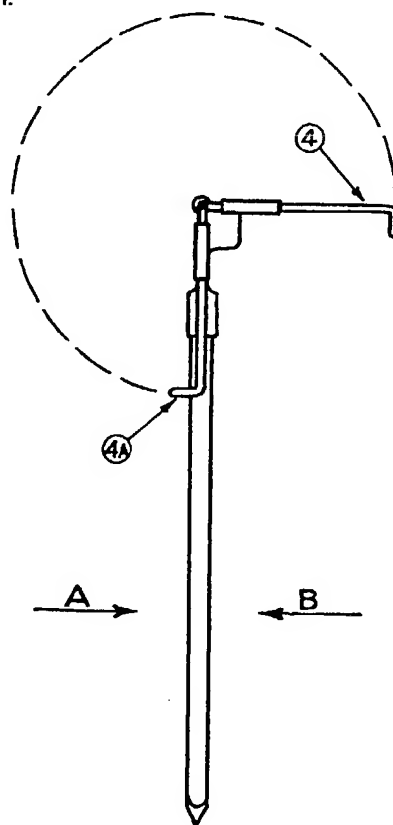
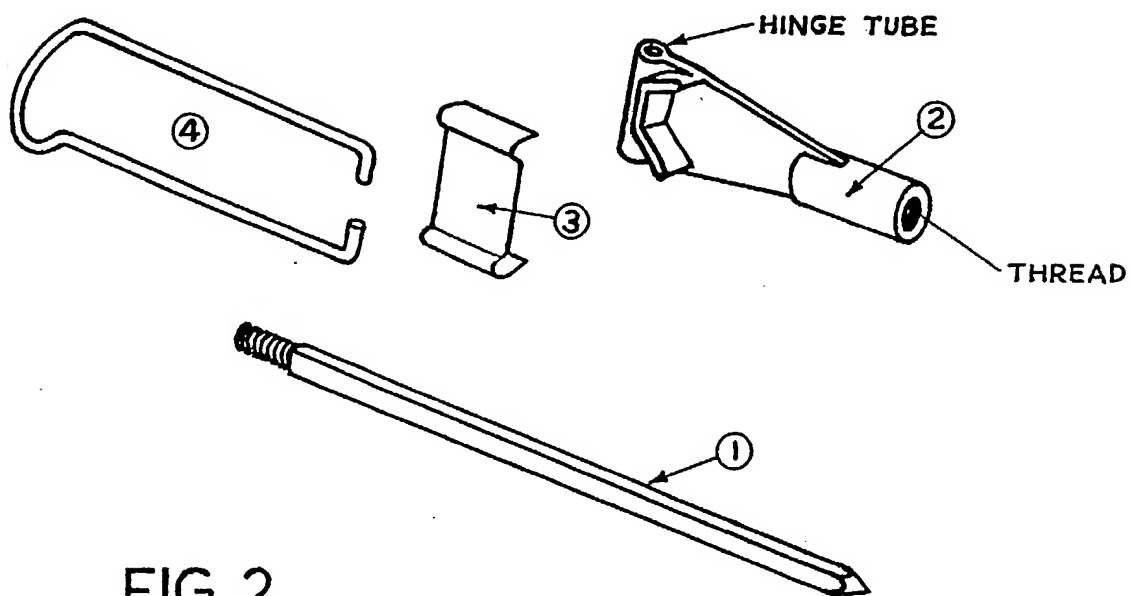
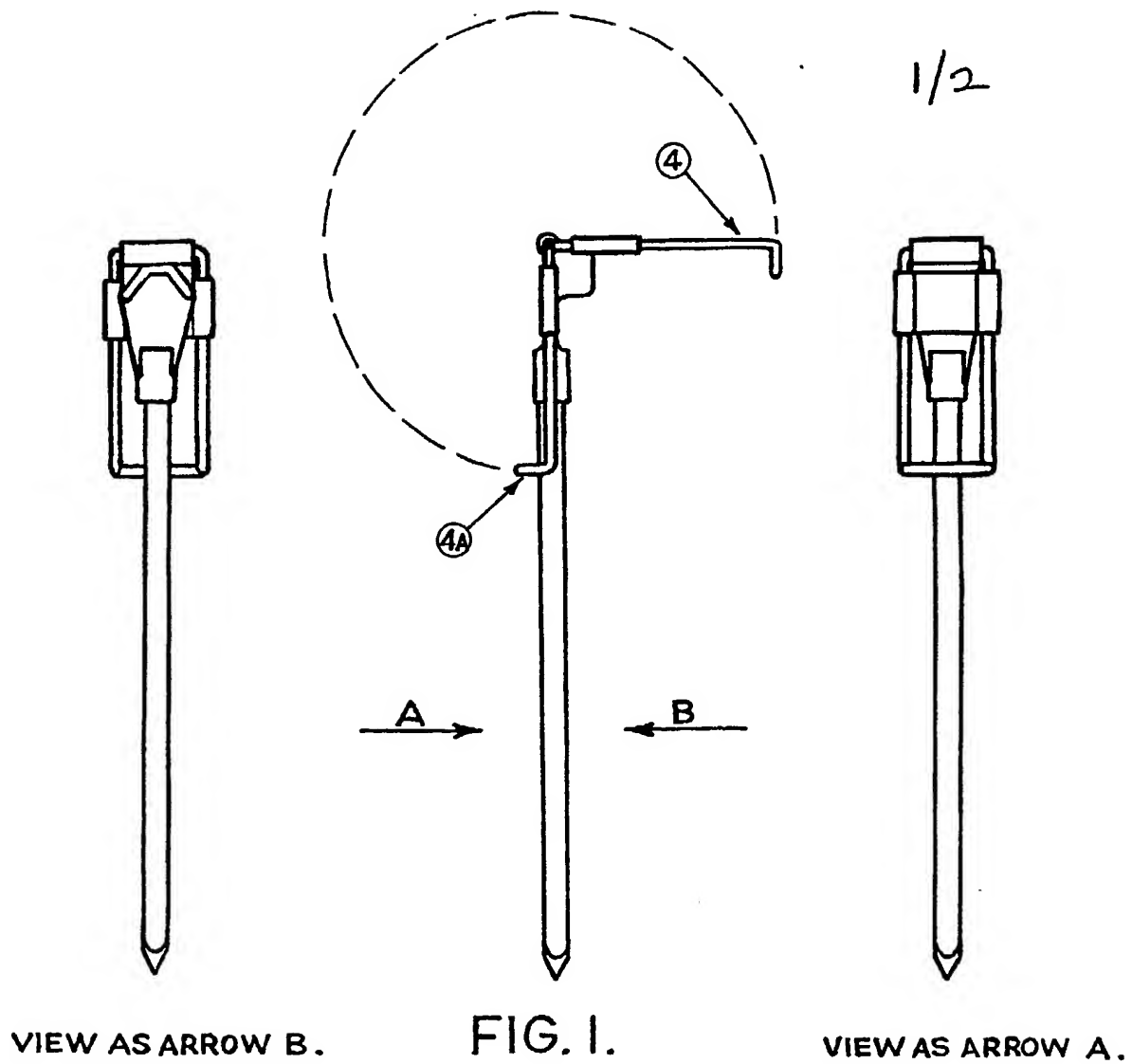


FIG. 1.



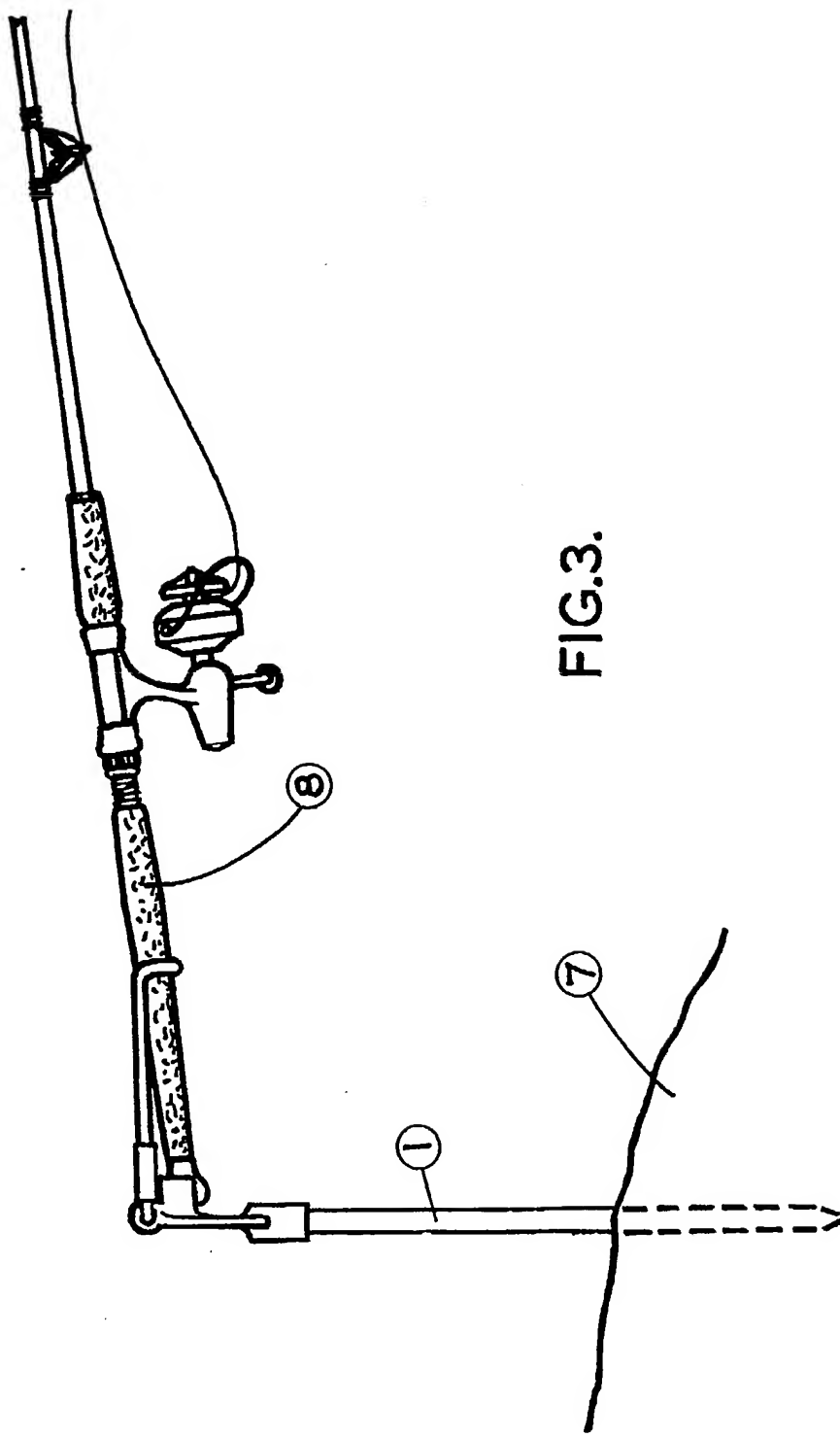


FIG.3.

This invention relates to a portable or collapsible holder for supporting the normal type of hand-held fishing rod.

The present invention therefore provides a pointed metal column (1) which is attached by its threaded end to a die-cast metal support bracket (2).

The metal rod support (4) is bent from a length of round bar, the ends being formed to enter the hinge tube and thus act as a hinge, and the centre being bent into a semi-circular shape to cradle the fishing rod handle, after assembly in the hinge tube the sides of the support are held in position by the sheet metal bridge

piece (3) and the ends of this piece are crimped over the support bar to ensure that the ends of the support cannot escape from the hinge tube. The bridge piece also rests on the top of the support bracket when the support is rotated into the operating position.

Figure (1) shows three views of the assembled holder, the centre view also shows two positions for the support, (4) is the open position for usage as a support and (4A) is the closed position for transportation. In the closed, or transportable position as shown in Figure (1) the overall length for normal purposes would be approximately 24 inches, but other sizes may be produced for special purposes.

Figure (2) shows a general isometric view of the constituent parts of the instrument before assembly.

Figure (3) shows a side view of the holder with the column (1) fixed into the ground (7) and with a conventional fishing rod handle (8) supported in the holder, as it would be in general use.

In the transportation or carrying position as shown in Figure (1), views A & B, the pointed end of the column would be protected by a plastic cap which would normally be supplied by the manufacturer.

Where the column cannot be used by piercing the ground a base, or bases, of differing types may be supplied to support the column on hard surfaces.

CLAIMS

- (1) The Portable Support for Fishings Rods is a new concept in as much as it supports the rod at the handle end only without the use of any other equipment.
- (2) It allows the free use of fishermens hand and provides a fast and unsnagable strike.
- (3) The holder being light weight folds flat for transportation.

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